

**EXPEDITED HANDLING PROCEDURE  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No : 10/622,745  
Applicant : Whitworth  
Filed : July 21, 2003  
Title : Storm Brace Assembly

TC/A.U. : 3635  
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Docket No. : WHI009  
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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated October 27, 2004.  
Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.**